

Rock Projects Uganda

Newsletter March 2023



Mulimutya abe mikwano

(Hello our dear friends)

Greetings from sunny Uganda and when we say sunny we mean it! At the writing of this report at 9pm its currently 30 degrees. Right now we are in the dry season but expecting the rainy season to come any time from now - this will be great for the farm.

It's been an exciting time for the Kasozi family with the arrival of a new baby boy Josiah, a first-born son to Roy & Caitlin. The arrival of this little one prompted a visit to the UK for Peter, Rose and for the very first time Phyllis & Rebecca.



Josiah Paul Lubega Kasozi

UK tour ...

We had a wonderful tour of the UK with Rose, Phyllis and Rebecca. To some hosts we were family members and were given a holiday. To others we were known as a choir and we were given a platform. To some we were known as Pastors and we were given a pulpit. We travelled on planes, buses, cars, trains and ferry. It was nice to meet old and new friends, and a few teams who hope to visit us this year or next. We made presentations for the promotion of the work of Rock Ministries and we hope there will be a good response. Many thanks to all our hosts. (Bishop Peter Kasozi)



Kasozi's on tour



Christmas giving

It might seem a long time ago now but we'd like to say a huge thank you to WayPoint church who sponsored our Christmas giving this year. It's always such a joy to spread Christmas cheer by giving Christmas hampers! 120 families received parcels which included live chicken, a big bottle of coke, sugar, soap & rice. This was such a

huge highlight for all who were given & would mean that these families would each get to enjoy a special Christmas meal with their families.

Children's Christmas Party!

On the 17th of December there was a wonderful Christmas party thrown for the children of Kitetikka & Busiika and surrounding areas. We were blessed to have a bouncy castle, face painting, food, games and gifts from Santa! Words can't express the JOY that the children felt on that very special day!



Happy New Year 2023!



A little spring cleaning ...

In preparation for the start of first term of the school year we have been busy with some renovations and freshening up our facilities. This has included plastering the Sunbeams dorms & creating a dividing wall between the girls and boys toilets.

At Kitetikka Primary there has been pavers creating a nice path to the toilets as well as repairs and painting done on play equipment and Kitetikka High School now has a new school office & canteen. So its fair to say we've been well prepared for the return of our students from the long third term holiday of 2022 - that is our longest holiday of the year.





Exam Results!

Just last week, before school returned we received the exam results from the Ministry of Education for our P7s and S4s and we're delighted to inform you that our students did extremely well! A huge well done to our pupils and to our wonderful teachers who have put in so much work.

Nursery, Primary & Secondary school.

(Kitetikka Pri, Sunbeams, Kitetikka High)

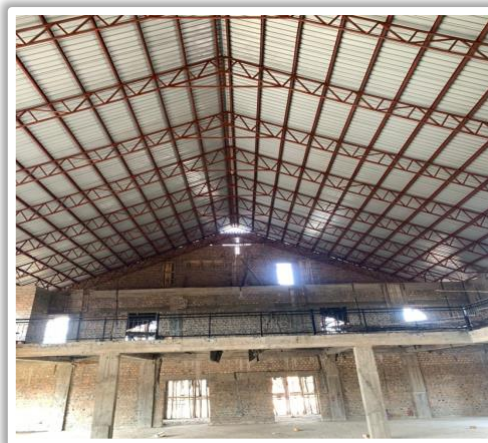
As we look back on 2022 we are filled with gratitude. Covid-19 school closures brought so much disruption and restrictions to the way we run school and the way in which we look after and care for the many children we are responsible for. Therefore it was such a joy to have been able to run things smoothly in 2022 without any of these disruptions. Some of the highlights or special days in 2022 was the inter-schools football & netball competitions - it seems Kitetikka Pri girls are champions of netball and the Sunbeams boys are unbeatable at football! There was also the annual SU Big Day which hosts over 1000 children in the Kitetikka Mayors Gardens where there is singing, dancing, praising, preaching and a whole lot of food! Of course each day is worth celebrating when we see so many children who wouldn't have had the opportunity to go to school, being given that gift of education all thanks to those who sponsor.

So now we look forward to 2023! First term began on the 6th of Feb. Children, teachers and families were all delighted to see the doors open! We have the challenge of rising cost of food & fuel, which is difficult when many mouths need fed each day and the school bus needs to pick up and drop off children from the nearby villages! However, we trust all will be well & look forward with a lot of joy to the year ahead.



We have a roof!

Well its been a whirlwind of a project. Our new Church Community Center which was originally planned to be a 5 year project has now got a roof on. It's been a year of daily work for the builders, headed up by Engineer Raymond, who has contracted many others plus many of the young boys in our community - just amazing to see to have this project bring employment to many. The building work itself is now complete with the roof on, and now we look ahead to the many finishings needed such as windows, doors, water, electricity, plastering, flooring, chairs etc. The list may still seem extremely long however we are delighted that we've now got it



to the stage where it can be used on a weekly basis as it is! We had our very first time in the church last Friday with an overnight of praying, singing, dancing and preaching, it was amazing to see hundreds attend - and confirmed to us that it was the right thing to build a church of this size! We then had our very first church service on Sunday morning, the community came and rejoiced in what God has done in our small village. A huge thank you to everyone who has been a part of making this happen each penny fundraised has made a huge difference!

Kibanga Medical Center

Our medical center continues to be a real blessing to the community at large, from the oldest to the youngest (and by young we mean babies being delivered!) receiving critical health care. We could tell you countless stories of people who have been so grateful for the help they have been given. Just recently when one of our staff members were out in the community, they found an old lady sitting outside with a huge burn on her leg, she'd burnt herself when cooking with fire wood, and the burn had become infected causing her extreme pain and distress. What an amazing opportunity we had to welcome her into the clinic, treat her and tell her about the love of Christ. Since then she has become a permanent member of church.





The Farm

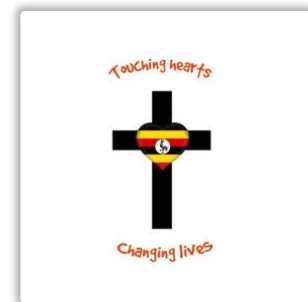
The farm continues to provide feeding for the schools. Today there are many crops of sweet potato, maize, matooke (banana), sugar cane and some little oranges. The production is not yet the full capacity, however it has come on leaps and bounds after Bishop Peter was gifted a tractor!

Farewell KRF

We'd also like to take this opportunity to give a huge thank you to the trustees of Kitetikka Rock Foundation who have now officially closed their bank account, and who have passed the baton on to Rock Projects Uganda. We'd like to extend a warm welcome to any new sponsors, who have recently transferred from KRF to RPU. This transition period has been on the go for sometime & we are grateful for your co-operation in this by transferring over your standing order.

Webale nyo (Thank you so much)

We would like to say a huge thank you for all your continued love, support and interest in Rock Projects Uganda. This charity runs on the generosity of the supporters, and so for that we are most grateful. If you would like more information, have any questions, or if you would be interested in holding a fundraiser with a group of friends we would be absolutely delighted, please do not hesitate to get in touch, our contact information is found below.



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Much love from,

The Kasozi Family &
the trustees and fundraising teams of Rock Projects Uganda.

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